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Highway 123 Bypass Water Tower Project Update

Work Passes Halfway Point

SEGUIN, Texas – Work on the \$2.5 million dollar water tower project off Highway 123 Bypass in north Seguin is approximately 60% complete.

“This project is moving along right on schedule,” Seguin spokesperson Scott Packard said. “We anticipate quite a bit of growth in that area. This project will ensure there is adequate water to support both the residential and commercial in north Seguin.”

The new one million gallon tank will replace the nearby 150,000 gallon tank built in 1982. The older tank currently must refill up to five times daily to keep up with demand. When the project is complete, residents in the area should notice increased water pressure.

The base of the new tower is nearly finished. Construction of the actual tank itself is now underway. It is being built on site and will take about a month to complete. The tank will then have to be raised and installed.

The tower will initially be painted white until city council decides on an image and/or slogan. An LED light system will also be installed. It will allow the tower to be illuminated a variety of colors.

“The light system is exciting and will be visually appealing,” Seguin City Manager Doug Faseler said. “For example, we could light the tower pink during breast cancer awareness month. The options are plentiful. It will be something residents can really be proud of.”

Funding for the project comes from United States Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (\$1.18 million), the Seguin Economic Development Corporation (\$880,000) and the City of Seguin (\$440,000).

Work on the project should be complete by October 2014.

About the City of Seguin

Seguin, Texas is located off on Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational, and employment opportunities. Seguin’s robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2009, Seguin was proud to be selected by Caterpillar as the site of a major new engine manufacturing facility.

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